

Remarks

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for granting the telephonic interview on April 24, 2003 clarifying the above-identified Office Action. Applicants apologize for any inconvenience caused by filing the December 23, 2002 response.

Claim 1 has been cancelled.

Claim 4 has been rewritten to be in independent form. Support for hybridization under stringent conditions can be found in the specification on page 12 at lines 6-9. Additional support for claim 4 can be found in Example 20. Thus, no new matter has been added.

Claim 7 has been modified to reflect that claim 6 now depends from claim 4. No new matter has been added.

Claims 21-26 have been cancelled since they were drawn to a non-elected invention.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims as currently presented coupled with the remarks set forth in the response filed on December 17, 2002 are believed to be responsive. A copy of the December 17, 2002 response (including attachments) is submitted herewith for the Examiner's convenience.

Please charge any fees associated with the filing of this response to Deposit Account No. 04-1928 (E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company).

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne M. Christenbury

LYNNE M. CHRISTENBURY
ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT

Registration No.: 30,971

Telephone: (302) 992-5481

Facsimile: (302) 892-1026

Dated: April 30, 2003